

- All 5 States submitted nominees for outstanding individuals and greenways projects.
- One individual and one project from each state are receiving an award.
- This year's state award winners receive an original watercolor painting of a historic bridge currently located on Indianapolis' Central Canal Towpath.
- The featured bridge originated as Montgomery County #57 Pratt Bedstead Pony Truss bridge, 1879.

Illinois

Outstanding Illinois Greenways Project:
Perryville Recreation Path

- 10-mile multi-use trail in Rockford, Illinois
- Connects Rock Cut State Park to the Kishwaukee River
- Includes Keeling-Puri
 Peace Plaza,
 celebrating unification
 of western and eastern
 cultures through
 friendship and the
 desire for peace

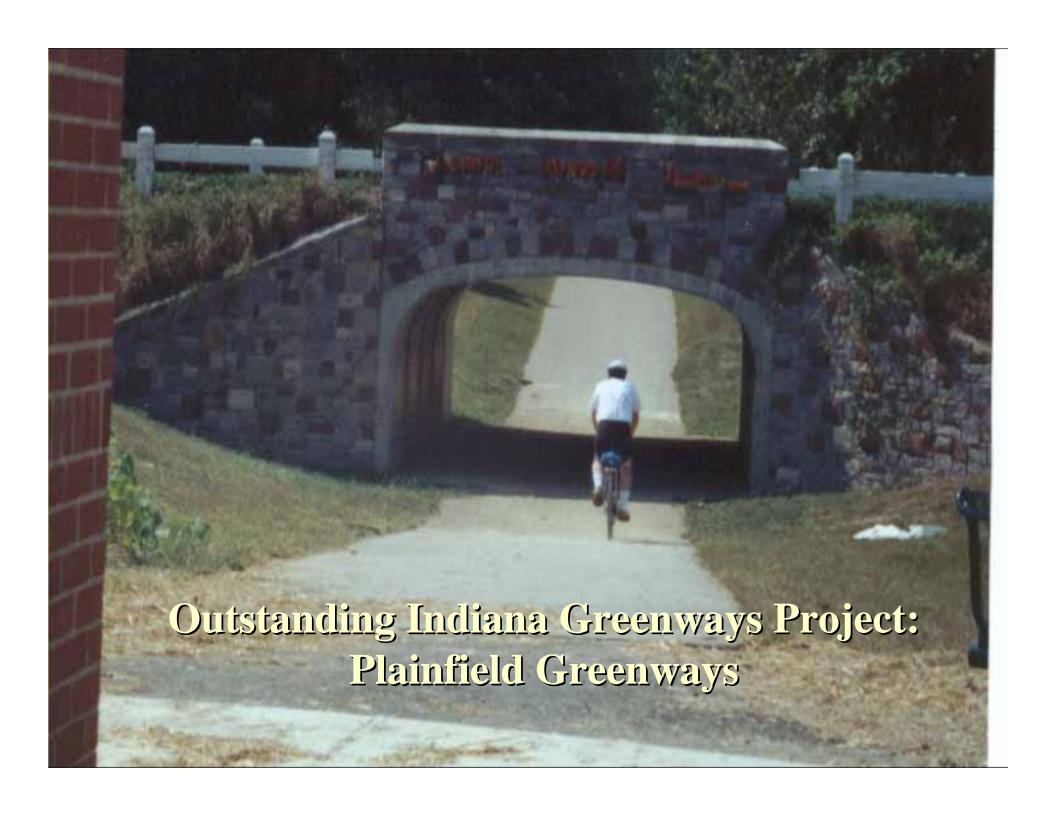


Illinois Individual Award: Bev Moore

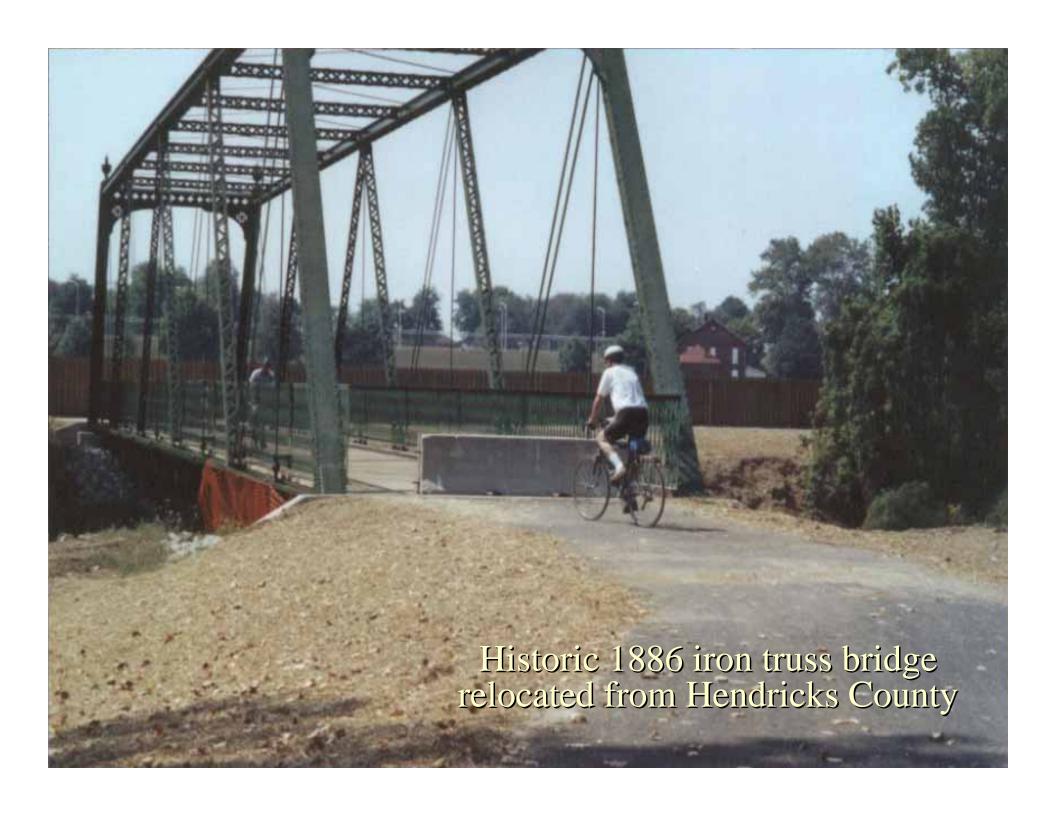


- Director of the IllinoisTrails Conservancy
- Former Board member,
 Illinois Chapter, Rails-toTrails Conservancy
- Founding member, Friends of the Long Prairie Trail
- Member and Former Chair, Illinois Greenways & Trails Council

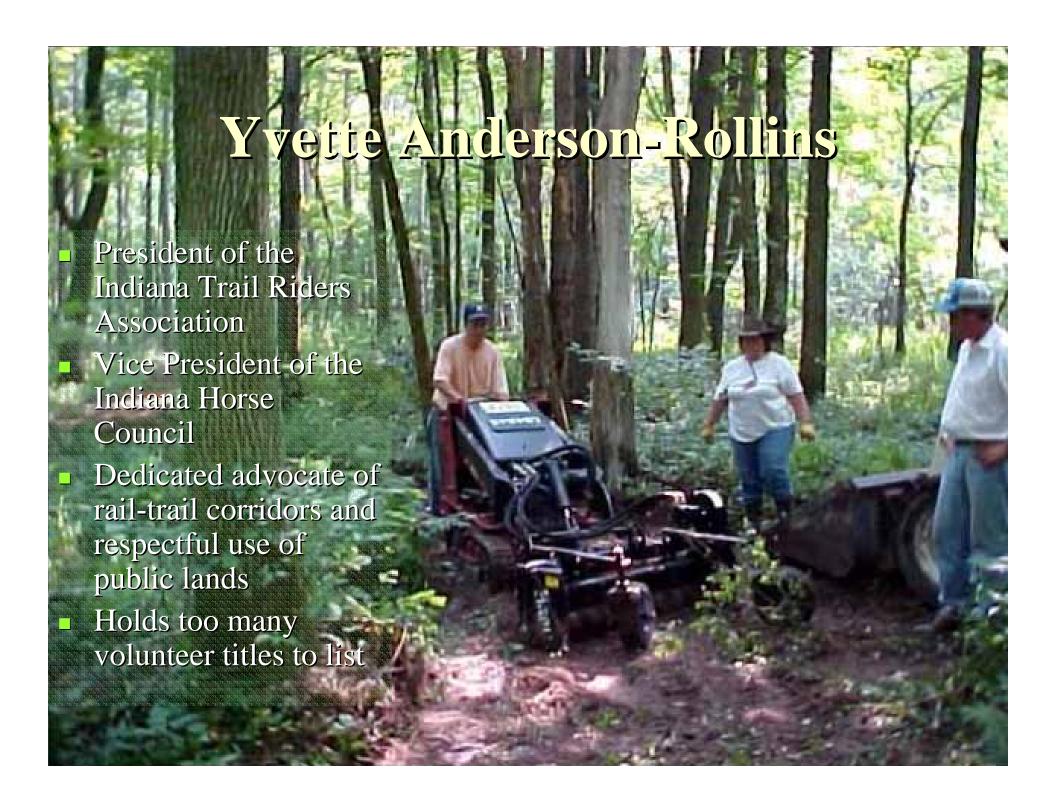
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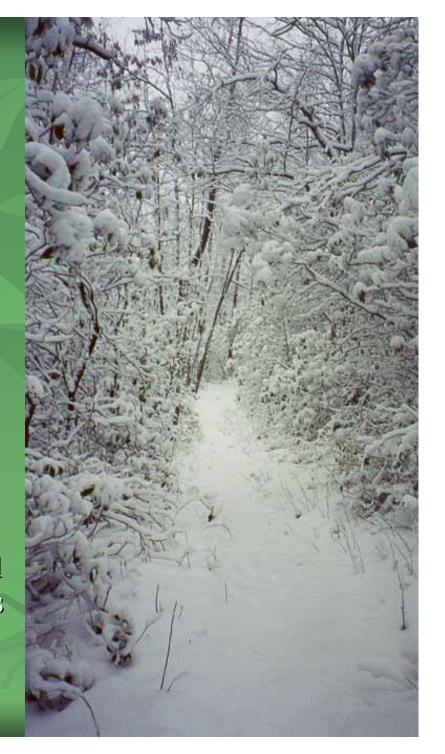


Kentucky

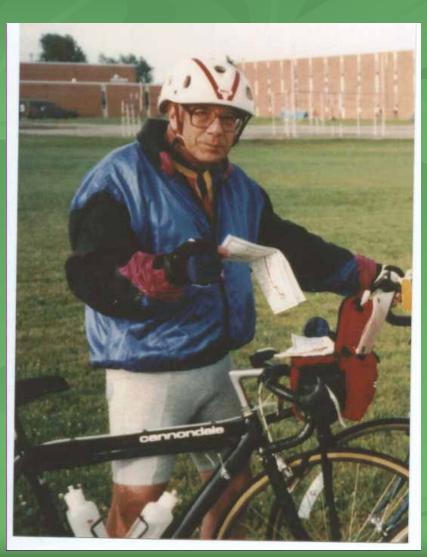


Pine Mountain Trail State Park

- Kentucky's 50th State Park
- Established by the General Assembly in 2002
- Will extend 110 miles along Pine Mountain Ridge in southeast Kentucky
- Trail begins at Breaks Interstate
 Park and connects to Cumberland
 Gap National Park at Middlesboro.
- Uses include long-distance backpacking, mountain biking, and horseback riding, with trail shelters and designated camping locations.



Kentucky Individual Award: Robert K. Strosnider



- First Chairman of the Kentucky
 Trails Advisory Board
- Helped establish Kentucky's Recreational Trails Program, which has funded over 200 projects totaling \$4 million
- Current Chairman of the Kentucky Rails to Trails Council
- Instrumental in passing an official state policy in 2000, elevating preservation of abandoned corridors and their use as trails

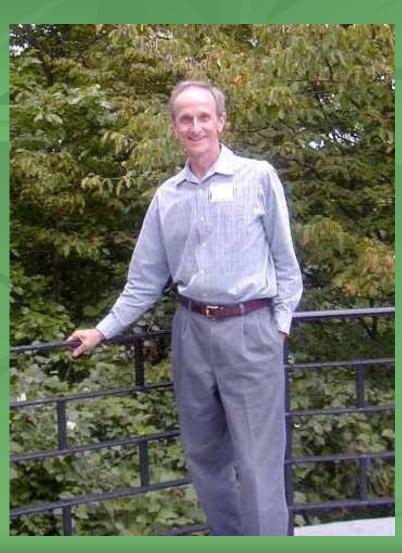
Michigan



Macomb Orchard Trail

- Facing opposition in the beginning, the trail originated from a partnership between Parks and Recreation Director Anthony Casasanta and Rails to Trails Council.
- The Trust for Public Land acquired the property, and Macomb County government approved the purchase in 1999.
- Grants have raised over \$3.2 million.

Michigan Individual Award: Dan Kiefer



- Chair and Founder of the Friends of the Clinton River Trail
- A "true hero for trails in Michigan"
- Instrumental in organizing a land use vision task force
- The resulting land use vision report will serve as model for trail projects





Simon Kenton Trail

- Founded by the Simon Kenton Pathfinders, a group of 17 people in 1997 that now has over 200 members.
- The cross county rail-trail expands 14.25 miles, linking Champaign County to Springfield and to the Ohio-to-Erie Trail.
- Pathfinders purchased an old train depot in July 2003 to convert to a trail services facility.

Ohio Individual Award: Herb Hulls

- President of the BuckeyeTrail Association
- Founding member of the Ohio Trails Partnership
- Contributed over 1000
 hours of trail building in
 Ohio and Colorado
- Built the "BTA Chuck Wagon" to feed trail building volunteers



